The Village of Hoffman Estates, Ill., received the Grand Prize for the Excellence in Energy Code Compliance Award. Pima County, Ariz., is the winner of the Large Jurisdictions category and Gil Rossmiller, Chief Building Official of Parker, Colorado, is the 2012 Energy Code Champion.

Excellence in Energy Code Compliance Award 2012

Village, County, and Energy Code Champion Recognized for Successful Code Compliance Strategies

The Excellence in Energy Code Compliance Award distinguishes jurisdictions that are using cost-effective compliance strategies that have achieved energy code compliance and energy reduction. Energy code compliance refers to whether a building meets the provision of the energy code during design and construction phases.

IMT will be soliciting applications for the 2013 Award in June. Mark your calendars now, or visit imt.org and sign up for the IMT newsletter to stay informed.

IMT congratulates the winners of the 2012 Awards. Read about them below.

**Grand Prize Winner: Village of Hoffman Estates, Illinois**

The Code Enforcement Division of the Village of Hoffman Estates, Ill., a suburb of Chicago with a population of 52,000, has achieved rates of over 90 percent for energy code compliance. Staff has educated the community about the energy code and its importance through many initiatives.
For example, the Division has filmed instructional videos and built a demonstration “Energy House” to illustrate how residential energy products should be installed. The building department runs the Home Energy Assessment Program for homes that were built prior to 1998, when the Village started energy code enforcement. Many members of the staff are certified as Building Performance Institute Building Energy Analysts and are trained to conduct blower door tests and use an infrared camera to identify opportunities for homeowners to reduce air infiltration and save energy.

The Code Enforcement Division has also organized energy code seminars for the Illinois building community to educate builders, designers, and other code officials about the energy code.

**Winner of the Large Jurisdictions Category: Pima County, Arizona**

Pima County, Ariz., worked with its local utility to improve code compliance by targeting issues with poor compliance and revamping inspection and permit application processes. Pima County has also developed beyond-code green building programs that have helped educate and prepare its builders for code advances.

**Energy Code Champion: Gil Rossmiller of Parker, Colorado**

Gil Rossmiller, Chief Building Official, built up the energy code enforcement program in Parker from scratch by educating local builders, collaborating with other organizations to hold cost-effective trainings, and providing home energy ratings as an educational tool to builders.

**About IMT** The Institute for Market Transformation (IMT) is a Washington, DC-based nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting energy efficiency, green building, and environmental protection in the United States and abroad. Much of IMT’s work addresses market failures that inhibit investment in energy efficiency. For more information, visit imt.org.

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